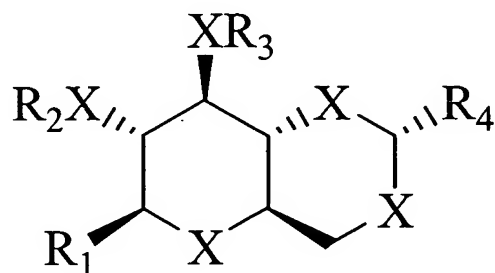


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A method of treating infections caused by *Flaviviridae* sp., comprising the step of administering an effective amount of a bicyclic carbohydrate having the formula:



wherein:

R₁ is selected from the group consisting of -alkyl, -aryl and -benzyl;

R₂ and R₃ are selected from the group consisting of -alkyl and -aryl;

R₄ is an -aryl; and

X is selected from the group consisting of O, N and S;

or a pharmaceutically active ~~derivative~~ salt thereof.

2. (Currently amended) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein R₁ is selected from the group consisting of phenyl and benzyl, R₂ and R₃ are selected from the group consisting of propyl, *i*-propyl and butyl, R₄ is phenyl and X is O, ~~or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.~~
3. (Original) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein the infection is hepatitis C.
4. (Original) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein the infection is bovine viral diarrhea.

5. (Original) A method of treating infections caused by (+) sense RNA viruses, comprising the step of administering an effective amount of a compound of claim 1.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Canceled)